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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Contemporaneous with the filing of this case and prior to calculation of the filing fee, kindly amend as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 8, line 1, delete "any of claims 4-7", and insert therefor --claim 4--.

Claim 9, line 1, delete "any of claims 4-7", and insert therefor --claim 4--.

Claim 10, line 1, delete "any of claims 4-7", and insert therefor --claim 4--.

Claim 11, line 1, delete "any of claims 4-7", and insert therefor --claim 4--.

Claim 1 $\frac{3}{4}$, line 2, delete "any of claims 4-12", and insert therefor --claim 4--.

Claim 14, lines 1 and 2, delete "any of claims 4-12", and insert therefor --claim 4^{-} .